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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

Donald L. Champagne

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 16 August 2006.
2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 3-33 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-27 and 31-33 is/are rejected.
7) ☒ Claim(s) 28-30 is/are objected to.
8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 06 January 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 1-5, 7-14 and 16-27 and 31-33 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Ho (US005909207A) in view of the admitted prior art (para. [0025]-[0029] and Fig. 14 of the published application, US 20040138952A1).
3. Ho teaches (independent claims 1, 11 and 20) a method and system for electronically inserting advertisement into displayed content, and a computer program product containing said method, the method comprising steps of:

organizing sequentially a content into more pages than what are simultaneously viewed on a single display (col.1 lines 23-25);

dividing said content into a plurality of discrete content amounts, displaying at least two of said discrete content amounts, and advancing to a selected discrete content amount other than said at least two discrete content amounts, wherein said displaying step comprises displaying two of said discrete content amounts in a book representation (col. 17 lines 16-32 and Figs. 6A and 6B),

said advancing step to said selected discrete content amount comprises displaying at least two pages simultaneously moving across from at least one of book fight-side to the book left-side and from the book left-side to the book fight-side (the *flipping pages 603*, col. 17 line 43 and Fig. 6A), and displaying a speed of browsing through the electronic book, wherein the number of the at least two simultaneously moving pages is proportional to a variable flipping speed, and the speed of browsing through the electronic book is proportional to the variable flipping speed.

4. Ho does not teach inserting an advertisement at a location within said content, said content now including said advertisement. Admitted as prior art (para. [0025]-[0029] and Fig. 14 of

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the published application, US 20040138952A1) is the insertion of an advertisement at a location within said content, said content now including said advertisement.

5. Ho also teaches claims 31-33 at the citations given above.
6. Ho also teaches the added limitations of the following dependent claims: 3, 5, 12 and 14 (col. 16 lines 5-6); claims 4 and 13 (Fig. 5A described at col. 15 lines 61-67); 7, 8, 16, 17 and 23, 24, and 26 (Figs. 6A & 6B, described at col. 17 line 3 to col. 18 line 10); claims 9, 18, 21 and 22, where a *bookmark* reads on an address indicator and a jump cursor (col. 12 lines 53-64 and col. 13 lines 42-50); claim 25 (col. 17 line 33); and claims 10, 19 and 27 (col. 1 line 29).
7. Claims 6 and 15 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious in view of the references cited above and further in view of Sarra (US pat. 5,053,762). The references cited above do not teach a bending page. Sarra teaches a bending page (col. 2 line 48). Because Sarra teaches that this is a particularly appealing special effect (col. 1 lines 17-18), it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art, at the time of the invention, to add a the teachings of Sarra to those of the references cited in para. 14 above.

Allowable Subject Matter

8. Claims 28-30 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Donald L Champagne whose telephone number is 571-272-6717. The examiner can normally be reached from 8:30 AM to 7 PM ET, Monday to Thursday. The examiner can also be contacted by e-mail at donald.champagne@uspto.gov, and *informal* fax communications (i.e., communications not to be made of record) may be sent directly to the examiner at 571-273-6717.
10. The examiner's supervisor, Eric Stamber can be reached on 571-272-6724. The fax phone number for all *formal* fax communications is 571-273-8300.

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12. **ABANDONMENT** – If examiner cannot by telephone verify applicant's intent to continue prosecution, the application is subject to abandonment six months after mailing of the last Office action. The agent, attorney or applicant point of contact is responsible for assuring that the Office has their telephone number. Agents and attorneys may verify their registration information including telephone number at the Office's web site, www.uspto.gov. At the top of the home page, click on Site Index. Then click on Agent & Attorney Roster in the alphabetic list, and search for your registration by your name or number.

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